

C₇-C₃₀-alkylaryl or C₁-C₁₂-alkoxy, or two or more radicals R¹¹ may be joined to one another in such a way that the radicals R¹¹ and the atoms of the cyclopentadienyl ring which connect them form a C₄-C₂₄ ring system which may in turn be substituted,

- R¹² are identical or different and are each a hydrogen atom, C₁-C₂₀-alkyl, C₁-C₁₀-fluoroalkyl, C₁-C₁₀-alkoxy, C₆-C₁₄-aryl, C₆-C₁₀-fluoroaryl, C₆-C₁₀-aryloxy, C₂-C₁₀-alkenyl, C₇-C₄₀-arylalkyl, C₇-C₄₀-alkylaryl or C₈-C₄₀-arylalkenyl, or
- l is 5 when v = 0, and l is 4 when v = 1,
- m is 5 when v = 0, and m is 4 when v = 1,
- L¹ may be identical or different and are each a hydrogen atom, C₁-C₁₀-alkyl, C₆-C₁₀-aryl, a halogen atom, or OR¹⁶, SR¹⁶, OSi(R¹⁶)₃, Si(R¹⁶)₃, P(R¹⁶)₂ or N(R¹⁶)₂, where R¹⁶ is a halogen atom, a C₁-C₁₀-alkyl group, a halogenated C₁-C₁₀-alkyl group, a C₆-C₂₀-aryl group or a halogenated C₆-C₂₀-aryl group, or each L¹ is a toluenesulfonyl, trifluoroacetyl, trifluoroacetoxyl, trifluoromethanesulfonyl, nonafluorobutanesulfonyl or 2,2,2-trifluoroethanesulfonyl group,
- o is 2,
- Z is a bridging structural element between the two cyclopentadienyl rings and v is 0 or 1..- -

REMARKS

The applicants respectfully request that the preliminary amendment be entered prior to fee calculation and examination. The applicants have corrected an obvious typographical error with respect to the specification. US 5,384,299 was inadvertently typed as US 5,348,299 and this is an obvious typographical error. The applicants have enclosed a copy of both patents. US 5,348,299 relates to an electronic gaming apparatus and not a zwitterionic catalyst.

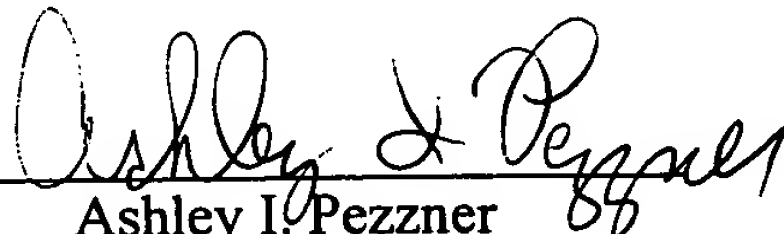
Support for newly added claims 5-12 can be found in the original claim 1. Support for newly added claims 13 and 14 can be found in the specification at page 7. Support for newly added claim 15, can be found in the original claim 2. Support for

newly added claim 16 can be found in the specification at page 49. Support for newly added claims 17 and 19 can be found in the specification at pages 9-11. Support for newly added claim 18 can be found in the original claim 3.

No additional fee is required for the additional claims. If there are any additional fees due in connection with the filing of this response, the Commissioner is authorized to charge or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-2775.

A prompt and favorable action is solicited.

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APPENDIX I

US-A 5,384,299 [US-A 5,348,299] describes zwitterionic catalyst systems prepared by protolysis from dialkyl-metallocene compounds and salts of the formula $[R_3NH]^+$ $[B(C_6F_5)_4]^-$. C-H Activation as subsequent reaction does not occur here.



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